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Testimony in opposition of SB650, AN ACT CONCERNING TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS, HB6848, AN ACT PROTECTING VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, and HB6962, AN ACT CONCERNING FIREARM SAFETY.

To the honored members of the judiciary committee, thank you for reading my testimony. My name is Dan Marcil, and I live in Thomaston. With all due respect, I respectfully ask that you oppose all 3 bills. While I support the spirit of these bills, I believe they are each flawed as written.

Regarding SB650 and HB6848:

Connecticut law already provides for "imminent risk warrants" to be issued, allowing law enforcement to seize firearms and ammunition when probable cause exists to warrant such necessary action. I believe that if a situation is serious enough to cause an individual to lose a fundamental constitutional right, then it should be serious enough for a police investigation, or at the very least, a court hearing. Without due process, even the most well meaning laws are open to the possibility of abuse.

Regarding HB 6962:

I agree completely that all firearms should be stored safely, however I believe the wording on this bill is too vague. It is already law in Connecticut that loaded firearms must be safely secured. I believe current laws adequately deal with the storage of firearms in the home.

I urge you to please vote no on these bills.

Respectfully,

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